



Engineering
Division

Main Street Safety Improvements

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Dear Resident, Business Owner, or Place of Worship,

The City of Hilliard is constantly exploring ways to better connect our community and to create safe, walkable public spaces. As the City investigates new ways to connect neighborhoods, it also assesses the condition of existing corridors to improve safety, especially for people who walk and bike and those with disabilities. The City has identified the Main Street corridor, between Luther Lane and Scioto Darby Road, as a key focus area because of the proximity of neighborhoods, businesses, places of worship, and schools.

In 2018 and 2019, traffic data was collected, and safety studies were conducted to assess vehicle speeds, traffic operations, and pedestrian crossings. As a result of these studies, recommendations were made to modify the street infrastructure to improve safety.

Thanks to the increase in the state motor vehicle fuel tax passed by the Ohio legislature in 2019, Governor Dewine and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) announced that additional funding would be available to local governments to fund needed safety improvements. Earlier this year, the City of Hilliard applied to ODOT to request funding for two projects along the Main Street corridor. We are excited to announce that the City of Hilliard was awarded two grants totaling nearly \$1M to construct both projects in 2021.

You are receiving this letter because you are a business, residence, or place of worship within the limits of these projects. Attached to this letter are notices that explain the scope of each project. We encourage you to share this information with your family, customers, or parishioners.

The City of Hilliard will be providing more information on both projects on the City's website or through social media in the coming months and then again in 2021, closer to construction, to notify the public about possible lane restrictions or detours that may be required to construct the improvements. In the meantime, if you have any questions on these projects, please contact me at (614) 334-2455 or lschamp@hilliardohio.gov.

Thank you for being part of the Hilliard community. As a reminder, each one of us can do our part to make Hilliard safer by slowing down, keeping your eyes on the road, and always yielding to pedestrians at crosswalks.

Be safe,

Letty Schamp, PE
Director of Transportation & Mobility

NOTICE OF IMPROVEMENT

Tier 2 Roundabout Modifications at Main Street and Scioto Darby Road

In the summer of 2019, the City of Hilliard constructed Tier 1 modifications at the Main Street roundabouts. The Tier 1 modifications successfully reduced property damage crashes and lowered vehicle speeds. Therefore, the City will complete improvements at the roundabouts on Main Street by constructing the Tier 2 modifications in 2021. Work is focused predominantly at the Scioto Darby Road roundabout and includes:

- Resurfacing, restriping, and overhead lane control signs
- Reshaping of the central island and modification of the north splitter island to improve geometry
- Raised crosswalks to slow vehicle speeds and to improve pedestrian safety
- Activation of the traffic signal at the Cemetery Road and Scioto Darby Road intersection to redistribute traffic, to improve safety and operations, and to provide an additional signalized pedestrian crossing

The purpose of this project is to reduce vehicle speeds, reduce peak hour vehicle queues, and improve safety. **Motorists are reminded that state law and Hilliard City code requires motorists to yield to pedestrians in the crosswalks.**



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Pedestrian Crosswalk Improvements on Main Street

In the summer and fall of 2021, the City of Hilliard will make improvements on Main Street between Luther Lane and Heritage Club Drive South and Scioto Darby Road to improve pedestrian safety. Work includes:

- High visibility crosswalks, flashing warning lights, and pedestrian refuge islands at two locations:
 - Main Street at Ten Pin Alley and Wakefield Drive
 - Main Street at the COTA Park & Ride at Hilliard United Methodist Church
- Driver feedback speed limit sign (northbound) to increase driver awareness of speed
- Resurfacing and restriping to narrow vehicle lanes

The purpose of this project is to reduce vehicle speeds, improve safety, and create a more pedestrian-friendly environment in the corridor. **Motorists are reminded that state law and Hilliard City code requires motorists to yield to pedestrians in the crosswalks.**

